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Committee:

PURPOSE: The purpose of this study is to determine the extent to which wards of the Nebraska Health and Human Services System are being prescribed behavior-modifying medication. The study shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Examination of the number and percentage of state wards that are currently prescribed behavior modifying medication;

2. Examination of the costs incurred by the Nebraska Health and Human Services System as a result of the prescription and administration of behavior-modifying medication to state wards;

3. Examination of the number of foster parents receiving "treatment" level compensation for care of wards whose behavior is being controlled by medication; and

4. Consideration of the need for revisions to the practice of having behavior-modifying medications prescribed to state wards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE NINETY-NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That a committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes

of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.